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DEPARTMENT FOR S/NM ERNST AND ARA LEURS.
PASS TO WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM, ATTENTION DR. BOURNE.
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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS, BOURNE-FALCO VISIT

1. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT WAS AUTHORIZED FOR USIS RE-
LEASE LOCALLY BY DR. PETER BOURNE UPON HIS DEPARTURE
FROM MEXICO.

"DR. PETER BOURNE, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT CARTER,
AND MS. MATHEA FALCO, SENIOR ADVISOR TO THE U.S. SEC-
RETARY OF STATE FOR NARCOTICS MATTERS, CONSULTED WITH
THE U.S. CHARGE HERBERT THOMPSON, ATTORNEY GENERAL OSCAR
FLORES SANCHEZ, AND SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FELIX GALVAN
ON MAY 16 AND 17 ON THE BILATERAL EFFORTS OF THE UNITED
STATES AND MEXICO TO RESOLVE THE SERIOUS PROBLEM OF
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NARCOTICS CONTROL.

"DR. BOURNE AND MS. FALCO WERE HIGHLY IMPRESSED WITH THE
MEXICAN ERADICATION EFFORTS. DURING THEIR MEETINGS
WITH GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO OFFICIALS AND AS A RESULT OF
THEIR FIELD TRIP TO THE STATE OF OAXACA, THEY EXPRESSED
THEIR APPRECIATION FOR THE MAGNITUDE AND THE COMPLEX

NATURE OF THE MEXICAN NARCOTICS CONTROL EFFORTS.

"DR. BOURNE AND MS.FALCO COMMENDED THE MEXICAN NARCOTICS CONTROL EFFORTS, WHICH HAVE RECEIVED THE HIGHEST PRIORITY BY ATTORNEY GENERAL OSCAR FLORES SANCHEZ, WHO HAS GIVEN THE PROGRAM HIS PERSONAL GUIDANCE SINCE ASSUMING OFFICE ON DECEMBER 1, 1976. THEY ALSO RECOGNIZED THE EFFECTIVE EFFORTS OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S SENIOR STAFF WHICH DIRECTS THE COORDINATED NARCOTICS EFFORTS THROUGHOUT THE REPUBLIC OF MEXICO. THEY EXPRESSED THEIR PRAISE FOR THE IMPORTANT MILITARY ROLE IN THE FIELD OPERATIONS AND THE JOINT EFFORTS BETWEEN CIVIL AUTHORITIES AND THE MILITARY FORCES. DR. BOURNE AND MS.FALCO UNDERScoreD THE DEDICATION AND COURAGE OF THE FIELD PERSONNEL WHO, UNDER THE MOST RIGOROUS CONDITIONS, ARE ENGAGED IN ONE OF THE HIGHEST RISK HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS THEY HAVE ENCOUNTERED IN THEIR WORLD TRAVELS. DURING THEIR FIELD TRIP, BOTH DR. BOURNE AND MS. FALCO HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THE FEDERAL AGENTS, PILOTS, AND TECHNICIANS, AND CONVEY THEIR PERSONAL IMPRESSIONS TO THE MEN IN THE FIELD.

"DR. BOURNE STATED THAT PRESIDENT CARTER IS DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE OF THE ATTENTION BEING GIVEN TO THE ILLICIT DRUG PROBLEM BY THE ADMINISTRATION OF PRESIDENT LOPEZ PORTILLO. THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE TO ASSIST MEXICO IN THESE EFFORTS. MUCH MORE REMAINS TO BE DONE IN THE INTERNATIONAL AREA OF ACHIEVING THE COMMON GOALS OF ELIMINATING THE PROBLEM OF ILLICIT DRUG ABUSE.
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"DRUG ABUSE IS A SERIOUS THREAT TO MANKIND THAT RESPECTS NO NATIONAL BOUNDARIES. BECAUSE OF ITS GLOBAL NATURE, THE PROBLEM CAN ONLY BE SOLVED THROUGH INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. OUR TWO COUNTRIES ARE VERY FORTUNATE IN HAVING AN UNUSUALLY EFFECTIVE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM OF ILLICIT DRUG CONTROL. WE COMMEND THE INCREASED COMMITMENT OF THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT IN ITS STRENGTHENED AND EXPANDED ILLICIT DRUG CONTROL EFFORTS. WE ARE ESPECIALLY APPRECIATIVE OF THE INITIATIVES OF THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT IN RESOLVING BILATERAL ISSUES RELATED TO NARCOTICS SUCH AS THE PRISONER PROBLEM."

2. THE WHITE HOUSE OR DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO COPY THE ABOVE FOR U.S. RELEASE. THOMPSON

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